Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Centerville, South Dakota, can be called "a town on the move" not only for its progressive people, but because history shows the town moved twice before settling on its present location; and,

WHEREAS, The original "Centreville" was established in 1871 by Dr. Jesse Smith who built a store and post office along the Vermillion River; and,

WHEREAS, the town's next stop, now called "Old Centreville," was across the river and one half mile southwest of the present site; and,

WHEREAS, With the coming of the railroad, today's Centerville was compelled to move its present location in 1883. Although it was originally named for its central location between Sioux Falls and Yankton, Centerville is also equidistant from Vermillion, Hawarden, Hudson, Canton, and Parker; and,

WHEREAS, Although the town has stayed put for the last one hundred years, the fine people of Centerville are still known as some of the most outgoing, hard-working folks in South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, It all started a century ago today when Centerville's first Independence Day was celebrated by over 5,000 people who braved the intermittent rain to play baseball, watch the horse and foot races, and dance "until the rosy morning began to brighten up the east"; and,

WHEREAS, To this day, the spirit of community and a sense of belonging are the things that make life great in Centerville, South Dakota. This summer, the citizens of Centerville will proudly celebrate this fine town's first one-hundred years:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 4, 1983, as

CENTERVILLE CENTENNIAL DAY

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of December, In the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Two

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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